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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims as follows.

1 (canceled)

2 (previously presented): A light-diffusing sheet comprising a transparent film and a light-diffusing layer, which is made of a resin coating layer having a minute unevenness formed on a surface thereof, is formed on at least one side of the transparent film,

wherein the transparent film includes a thermoplastic resin (A) having a substituted and/or non-substituted imido group in a side chain, and a thermoplastic resin (B) having a substituted and/or non-substituted phenyl group and nitrile group in a side chain, and

an average height-depth spacing (Sm), a center-line average surface roughness (Ra) and a ten-point average surface roughness (Rz) on the surface with the minute unevenness satisfies the respective following relations:

$Sm \leq 80 \mu\text{m}$,

$Ra \leq 0.25 \mu\text{m}$ and

$Rz \leq 9Ra$,

wherein a 60° glossiness on the surface with the minute unevenness is 70% or less.

3 (canceled)

4 (previously presented): The light-diffusing sheet according to claim 2, wherein the transparent film is a biaxially stretched film.

5 (previously presented): The light-diffusing sheet according to claim 2, wherein the resin coating layer comprises fine particles and the surface unevenness shape of the resin coating layer is formed with the fine particles.

6 (original): The light-diffusing sheet according to claim 5, wherein the fine particles are organic fine particles.

7 (previously presented): The light-diffusing sheet according to claim 2, wherein the resin coating layer is formed with an ultraviolet curing resin.

8 (previously presented): A light-diffusing sheet, a low refractive index layer lower in refractive index than the resin coating layer is provided on the unevenness surface of the resin coating layer of the light-diffusing sheet according to claim 2.

9 (previously presented): An optical element comprising the light-diffusing sheet according to Claim 2 provided on one side or both sides of an optical element.

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10 (original): An image viewing display comprising the optical element according to claim 9.

11 (previously presented): An optical element comprising the light-diffusing sheet according to claim 8 provided on one side or both sides of an optical element.

12 (previously presented): An image viewing display comprising the optical element according to claim 11.

13 (previously presented): The light-diffusing sheet according to claim 2, wherein if in the transparent film, a direction along which an in-plane refractive index is maximized is X axis, a direction perpendicular to X axis is Y axis, a thickness direction of the film is Z axis; refractive indexes in the respective axis directions are n_x , n_y and n_z ; and a thickness of the transparent film is d (nm) by definition, the transparent film satisfies the following relations:

in-plane retardation $R_e = (n_x - n_y) \times d \leq 20$ nm and

thickness direction retardation $R_{th} = \{(n_x + n_y)/2 - n_z\} \times d \leq 30$ nm.

14-19 (canceled)